SCO Conference Call Notes
September 9, 2009

Attending: Margaret Phillips (B) (recorder), Mary Page (D), Lorelei Tanji (I), Sharon Farb and Bonnie Tijerina (LA), Susan Mikkelsen (M), Barbara Schader and John Bloomberg-Rissman (R), Brad Eden (SB), Robin Dale (SC), Nancy Stimson (SD), Gail Persily (SF), Catherine Mitchell and Elise Proulx (CDL), Marcus Banks (LAUC), Janice Contini (SF)

1. Report from SOPAG/ACG Chairs meeting (Gail): Gail reported on the joint SOPAG/All Campus Group (ACG) meeting held in Oakland on August 28. The SCO report was presented at the meeting and will now move on to the University Librarians’ group who meet on September 25. The hope is that the UL’s will endorse the report and provide the SCO’s with guidance on how to move forward.

2. Open Access Week plans (Marcus): Marcus described the work that he and Bonnie Tijerina (UCLA) and Elise Proulx (CDL) have been doing in planning OA Week. With the understanding that most of us are not in a position to expend a lot of energy, the subcommittee came up with options and guidance for both "light" and "heavy" efforts, depending on the local campus situation. He emphasized that since it can be difficult to get faculty attention, we may consider educational programs for library staff, so that line librarians can become more familiar with these issues.

UCLA is developing LibGuides about OA; may be ways to share this resource across campuses. CDL does intend to roll out the new eScholarship interface that week. Catherine and Elise are planning visits to South and North campuses (respectively) during OA week. The joint CDC/SCO/JSC task force had hoped the Sustainability Report would be vetted in time to announce it during OA Week (see item 3 below).

ACTION: In the meantime, SCOs should keep the group up-to-date on campus planning efforts, if any. The subcommittee will compile a list of activities and, along with other relevant information about OA week, will draft a news item (e.g. Open Access Week Activities at UC) that can be put up on the Reshaping Scholarly Communication site.

3. CDC/SCO Sustainability document (Gail): Gail made some additional changes to the “Proposal for a UC Scholarly Communications Initiative” document. Her concern was that the SCO be appropriately credited in the text as it was a joint committee (CDC, JSC and SCO) that drafted it. The group agreed to those changes and commended the authors for keeping the document concise.

ACTION: Gail will send the minor changes on to Ivy Anderson and we will await feedback from the University Librarians after they meet on September 25.

4. Google Books settlement symposium (Marcus; all): The group applauded Marcus’s summary (see http://tinyurl.com/m3q233) of the UC Berkeley event held on August 28 (http://www.ischool.berkeley.edu/newsandevents/events/20090828googlebooksconference/schedule). Sharon discussed the dangers of non-disclosure agreements which means that many members of the UC community who were involved in the agreement have not been able to discuss details surrounding the settlement. We all wait word from Judge Chin on October 7.

5. SCO Business

a) Gail reminded us to respond to Jackie’s email re Springer Open Choice which provides data about UC faculty who have taken advantage of Springer Open Choice. The data is not complete and so far no SCOs have shared the information. There has been talk of implementing a similar pilot with UC Press. SCOs mentioned that it would be good to announce such a pilot during Open Access Week.
ACTION: Gail will check with Ivy about the UC Press pilot and whether it might be something we could promote during OA Week.

b) New SCO member (Catherine Mitchell): Catherine suggested that Joanne Miller, who previously worked very closely with Gary Lawrence before he retired, be added to the SCO roster. Joanne will be valuable link to CDL/UCOP. SCOs agreed that Joanne would be an asset to the group.

ACTION: Catherine will keep Gail and Margaret in the loop so that Joanne can be added to the roster, listserv and get wiki access.

c) Website updates (Margaret): the revised SCO charge, approved by SOPAG, has been added to the SCO website: http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/sco/charge.html

d) 09-10 Meeting Schedule (All): After much discussion, the group decided to keep the regular conference call time: first Wednesday of the month from 1:00-2:00. If there is a big agenda, we can consider moving the start time to 12:30. The first Wednesdays of the month for the rest of the academic year are as follows:

- October 7
- November 4
- December 2
- January 6
- February 3
- March 3
- April 7
- May 5
- June 2
- July 7